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> Beginning in March 1950 North Korean authorities conscripted 75 laborers daily for work on Pibalto (125-24, 38-43) lighthouse, Chinnampo Harbor. Materials were supplied by the Chinnampo Quarantine Office for the following construction work:

- Twenty-eight round concrete bunkers around the island.
- b. Eight anti-aircraft guns placed surrounding the lighthouse area.
- An unknown number of concrete storerooms 60 feet by 20 feet, with walls 2 feet thick. These were used for ammunition storage in late August,
- d. An automobile road running to the top of the lighthouse hill.
- UN air raids in early July destroyed 120 red brick warehouses near the Chinnampo railway station containing army supplies, leather goods, clothing, and rice. On 25 July the unburned rice was removed to warehouses in Hamjong-mi (125-15, 38-59). Other food, uniforms and shoes were moved to Sinryong, 5 miles from Chinnampo.
- On 13 July, 23 Soviet single-engine planes arrived at Yonpo airstrip (123-31, 39-47); the pilots were rumored to be Soviets. On 28 July in three UN air raids on Yonpo, the first air raid destroyed a barracks, killing 13 soldiers and 20 civilians; the third damaged the runway, but it is still usable. On the same date all planes and Soviets disappeared from the strip. The 2,000 North Korean troops billeted at the airstrip moved to Songjon-ni (127-28, 39-20).

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